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Jens Scheidel et al.Application No.: National Phase of  
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For: ISOMERISATION OF CIS-2-  
PENTENENITRILE TO FORM 3-  
PENTENENITRILE IN A REACTIVE  
DISTILLATION

Examiner: Not Yet Assigned

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**FIRST PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

MS Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.